फिर भी, बाहरी स्रोतों से एकत्रित 77 लाख रु० सहित लगभग 1 करोड़ रु० की राशि राष्ट्रीय समुद्र विज्ञान संस्थान, गोवा द्वारा इस क्रिया-कलाप पर खर्च की जा चुकी है। परियोजना के स्वरूप को ध्यान में रखते हुए इसे आगे जारी रखना और पूरा करना मुख्यतः निधि की उपलब्धता पर निर्भर होगा।

**Candidates Empanelled as Reserve on Select Panels**

2645. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether candidates empanelled as "Reserve" on select panels of direct recruitment to class I posts of Government of India can be given appointments even when all the main-panelists accept offers of appointment made to them; and

(b) if so, the details of relevant provisions governing such action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Such appointment can be made when the candidate from the main select panel joins the post but resigns or dies within a period of six months of his joining.

**Micro-Hydel Projects in Himalayan Ranges**

2646. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some arrangements have been agreed between Union Non-Conventional Energy Department and UNDP for setting up 20 micro hydel projects in the Himalayan ranges;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the projects will be fully financed by UNDP; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources is implementing a UNDP/GEF funded project on 'Optimising development of small hydro resources in the hilly regions of India'. The project, inter-alia, envisages setting up of 20 micro hydel demonstration projects at selected sites in the 13 Himalayan/sub-Himalayan states. These projects will serve as modal for replication.

(c) and (d) No. Sir, the project is jointly financed by the UNDP/GEF, Government of India and State Governments. The project outlay includes UNDP/GEF grant of US $ 7.5 million and counterpart funding by Government of India/State Government of Rs. 22.5 crores.

**Consumer Protection Act**

2647. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 546 given in the Rajya Sabha on 30th November, 1995 and state:

(a) whether any action has been initiated or any ordinance issued or being issued to give affect to the said judgement of the Supreme Court; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) and (b) The order is binding on doctors/hospitals rendering services for consideration. The implications of the order on Government hospitals charging fully or partially are being examined.

**Mental Diseases**

2648. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: